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REMARKS

A Petition for a three month extension of time is being submitted herewith, along with the appropriate extension fee of \$870.00. This Petition extends the period for responding to the outstanding Official Action to July 26, 1995 and Applicants submit that the present Amendment is being timely filed. Should any additional fees be deemed necessary, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3700 and advise accordingly.

The present Amendment is responsive to the Official Action dated January 26, 1995. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.111, reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are respectfully requested. Claims 39 to 50 have been cancelled in this application without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof. Applicants expressly reserve the right to further prosecute the cancelled subject matter in a continuation application. Claims 48 and 49 were subject to a restriction requirement. These claims have been cancelled in the present amendment. Accordingly, claims 51 to 61 are being prosecuted in this application.

Relying on 35 U.S.C. §103, the Examiner rejected claims 39 to 47, 50, 51, 55 and 61, alleging the subject matter thereof is unpatentable over Sanders et al. in view of Alberts et al. or Watson et al. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.